COMMANDS.

Lieutenant-Colonel G. R. Mitchell, D.S.O., 5th N.Z. Mounted Rifles (Otago Hussars), relinquishes command of the regiment, and is transferred to the Reserve of Officers, Class 1 (b) R.D. 11. Dated 31st March, 1927.

Major F. Waite, D.S.O., 5th Mounted Rifles (Otago Hussars), is appointed to command the regiment. Dated 1st April, 1907.

8th N.Z. MOUNTED RIFLES (NELSON).

The undermentioned to be 2nd Lieutenants. Dated 21st April, 1927:

Alfred Ambrose Cook. John Armour Galbreath. Claude St. George Milo Cole Parsons.

THE REGIMENT OF N.Z. ARTILLERY.

Captain H. R. Harvey, 13th Coast Battery, resigns his com-

mission. Dated 20th April, 1927.
Lieutenant L. G. Mahon, 3rd Field Battery, is transferred to the Reserve of Officers, Class II (b), D.R. 1. Dated 12th April, 1927.

Regiment R. B. Hardy, from the Auckland Regiment (Countess of Ranfurly's Own), to be Lieutenant, 4th Field Battery. Dated 20th April, 1927.

N.Z. Corps of Signals.

Central Depot.

Lieutenant W. G. C. Ashbridge to be Captain. Dated 22nd April, 1927.

THE N.Z. INFANTRY The Auckland Regiment (Countess of Ranfurly's Own).

Lieutenant R. B. Hardy, 2nd C Battalion is transferred to the 4th Field Battery. Dated 20th April, 1927.
2nd Lieutenant E. M. Grace, 1st Battalion, is transferred to the Waikato Regiment. Dated 26th April, 1927.
The appointment of 2nd Lieutenant (on probation) A. B. Crago, 2nd C Battalion, lapses. Dated 8th April, 1927.

The Waikato Regiment.

2nd Lieutenant E. M. Grace, from the Auckland Regiment (Countess of Ranfurly's Own), to be 2nd Lieutenant, with seniority as from the 28th June, 1926, and is seconded for duty with the 1st C Battalion. Dated 26th April, 1927.

The Wellington West Coast Regiment.

Arthur John Kingston to be Lieutenant, and is seconded for duty with the 1st C Battalion. Dated 13th April, 1927.

The Hawke's Bay Regiment.

Major A. S. Muir (Retired List) to be Major, 1st Battalion. Dated 31st January, 1927.
The seniority of Captain M. F. Woodward, 1st C Battalion, is

antedated to 18th February, 1925.

The undermentioned to be 2nd Lieutenants (on probation) and are seconded for duty with the 1st C Battalion. Dated 22nd April, 1927.

> Jack Hean Claridge. Vivian Arthur Duckers Thomson.

> > The Taranaki Regiment.

2nd Lieutenant A. W. L. Lawn, 1st Battalion, to be Lieutenant. Dated 21st April, 1927.

The Canterbury Regiment.

Lieutenant M. J. O. Taylor, 1st Battalion, is transferred to the Reserve of Officers, Class 1 (b), R.D. 10. Dated 21st April,

The Nelson, Marlborough, and West Coast Regiment.

The undermentioned 2nd Lieutenants to be Lieutenants: W. H. Nightingale, 1st C Battalion. Dated 26th August, 1926.

G. D. Simpson, 1st C Battalion. Dated 20th September,

J. Nichol, 2nd C Battalion. Dated 6th February, 1927. R. J. Wells, 1st C Battalion. Dated 6th February, 1927.

The Otago Regiment.

Lieutenant F. S. Arthur, 2nd C Battalion, is transferred to the Reserve of Officers, Class I (b), R.D. 11. Dated 26th April, 1927.

N.Z. AIR FORCE.

2nd Lieutenant (on probation) H. W. Duffey resigns his appointment. Dated 21st April, 1927.

N.Z. MEDICAL CORPS.

Lieutenant L. G. Drury, M.B., resigns his commission. Dated 19th April, 1927.

N.Z. ARMY NURSING SERVICE.

Sister M. McBeth, A.R.R.C. (Retired List), to be Sister. Dated 4th April, 1927. Sister G. M. Metherell, A.R.R.C. from the Reserve List to be

Sister. Dated 4th April, 1927.

F. J. ROLLESTON, Minister of Defence.

Awards of the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration.

Department of Defence,
Wellington, 30th April, 1927.

IIS Excellency the Governor-General has been pleased to
approve of the award of the Colonial Arministration. approve of the award of the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration to the undermentioned:—

Major L. S. Ashton, The Taranaki Regiment. The Reverend J. Chisholm, Chaplain, 2nd Class, N.Z. Chaplains Department.

F. J. ROLLESTON, Minister of Defence.

Dismissal from the Forces.

Department of Defence,
Wellington, 4th May, 1927.

H IS Excellency the Governor-General has approved of the
dismissal of the undermentianed coldinated to the control of th dismissal of the undermentioned soldier of the Territorial Force from the New Zealand Defence Forces, under section 6 (b), Defence Act, 1909, he having been convicted by the Civil power :-

Private J. R. Reece, Northern Depot, New Zealand Corps of Signals. Dated 23rd April, 1927.

F. J. ROLLESTON, Minister of Defence.

Defence Rifle Clubs disbanded.

Department of Defence, Wellington, 4th May, 1927.

IS Excellency the Governor-General has approved of the undermonting the properties.

The disbandment of the undermentioned Defence Rifle Clubs, under section 43, Defence Act, 1909:—

Manaia Defence Rifle Club,

with headquarters at Manaia. Dated 5th March, 1927.

Owhango Defence Rifle Club,

with headquarters at Owhango. Dated 31st March, 1927. F. J. ROLLESTON, Minister of Defence.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.

Wellington, 5th May, 1927. THE following notice, received from the Mayor of the Borough of Whangarei, is published in accordance with the provisions of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926.

WM. DOWNIE STEWART,

Minister of Finance.

BOROUGH OF WHANGAREI.

PURSUANT to section 13 of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, PURSUANT to section 13 of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, I hereby give notice that at a poll of the ratepayers of the Borough of Whangarei taken on the 27th day of April, 1927, on the proposal of the Whangarei Borough Council to borrow the sum of £4,600 for the purpose of extending the electricity main reticulation in the portion of the Maunu District included in the Council's supply area, the number of votes recorded for the proposal was 645; the number of votes recorded against the proposal was 510; informal, 55.

I therefore declare that the proposal was carried.

29th April, 1927.

JAMES E. HOLMES, Mayor.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.

Wellington, 5th May, 1927.

THE following notice, received from the Mayor of the Borough of Ashburton, is published in accordance with the provisions of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926.

WM. DOWNIE STEWART, Minister of Finance.